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SWORN CIRCULATION. Daily average for six months ending December 31, 1910, 2721.

MEDFORD, OREGON.

Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest-growing city in Oregon. Population—U. S. census 1910: 8849. Estimated in November, 1910, 10,000.

Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity Water System completed, giving finest supply pure mountain water and sixteen miles of street being paved and contracted for at a cost exceeding \$1,000,000, making a total of twenty miles of pavement.

Postoffice receipts for year ending November 30, 1910, show a gain of 51 per cent. Bank deposits were \$2,376,532, a gain of 22 per cent.

Banner fruit clip in Oregon—Rogue River Spitzberg apples won sweepstakes prize and title of "Apple King of the World" at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a car of Newtowns won First Prize in 1910.

at Canadian International Apple Show Vancouver, B. C.

Rogue River pears brought highest prices in all markets of the world during the past six years.

Write Commercial club, enclosing 6 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

MORE PAVING AND SEWERS SOUGHT

Many Petitions Are Filed With City Recorder Robert W. Telfer for Consideration Soon by the City Council.

The following petitions for paving and sewers were filed with City Recorder W. Telfer Thursday morning:

Paving.

Dakota avenue, from Oakdale street to Newtown street.

South Newtown street, from Eleventh street to Dakota avenue.

Elm street, from West Main street to the end of Elm street.

Sewers.

On Almond street, from East Main street to lot 15, block 2, of the Wilke addition to the city of Medford.

"THUMB-SCREWS" FOR 'WELCHERS'

President Colvig of Commercial Club Treats to Institute Legal Proceedings Against Delinquents in Crater Lake Highway Fund.

At the regular meeting of the Commercial club held in the rooms of the association in the Natatorium building last night, Judge W. M. Colvig, the club's president, spoke in an optimistic manner regarding the outlook for the valley during the coming year.

A great influx of visitors, both from the east and the middle west, is predicted, and that the majority of these will either locate here or leave capital here in the form of investments was the belief expressed.

The fact that the Medford club has in the past practically taken the lead in publicity work in the state was deplored as to a certain extent wasteful, but the fact that this organization now has publicity work down to almost a science, due to its experience in the past, was conceded.

The matter of collecting delinquent subscriptions to the Crater Lake highway fund was taken up and Judge Colvig announced that legal steps will be instituted to collect from those who show a disposition to "welch."

Chinese to Aid Countrymen.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 16.—Chinatown today is arranging for the collection of a famine fund the total to be sent to the Red Cross society for the relief of the famine stricken people of Anhui. A preliminary meeting has been held by the Chinese Benevolent association at which it was decided to call a mass meeting for tonight.

WHAT'S THE USE?

THERE always will be those who measure by the utilitarian yardstick every piece of spirited adventuring. What good will finding the north pole do us? they exclaim; where's the profit in the risk of a motor-boat trip to Havana? Why chance death by mounting the skies on an aeroplane? What gain in sailing out over the ocean in a dirigible? Where's the sense in "something lost behind the Ranges?" What's the use in harkening to the call over yonder in the trackless wilderness?

What's the use, indeed! Some weeks ago a lone man held up a train a short mile from Robsart, New Mexico, herded all the passengers into the rear car, where he made them deposit their valuables in a heap, and, having herded them out, collected his booty and went his way unmolested. Not a man among the company of some twenty passengers offered protest! That's the use.

Last year an unarmed man, taken unawares in a boat at the foot of his yacht club, was shot to death—while a half dozen of his friends stood idly around within ten feet and fearfully watched the murderer complete his work. That's the use. A few Sundays ago a little chap fell into one of the shallow Central Park lakes—and drowned within thirty feet of several men on the walk, any one of whom could easily have waded out to the rescue of the sinking lad.

That's the use. Every Sunday in some of the cities' subway and elevated suburban trains hoodlums insult women and children—and escape without broken heads! That's the use.

This is the use—that the spark of manhood may live and courage grow stronger than the cowardly self-thought which has too many of us in subjugation. Periodically a wail goes up from the faint-hearted because of loss of life in mountaineering, in flying; because of accidents in football, of risks taken in wilderness travel or in ballooning. Had these thin-blooded people their way, we should see a restraining fence erected on all mountains at timber line, and no game more hazardous than mumble-peg permitted at our schools. It would be a rare race of milkops, indeed, that we should have, did the "What's the use?" slogan dominate.

Allah be praised for the valor that rises above thought of personal danger or pecuniary return; that gives us a Peary, a Cravez, a Even Hedin, a Stanley, a Custer. Unnecessary, unfruitful danger to life and limb is as undesirable as it is unprofitable, and should be, of course, and always is, finally, eliminated from all our games; but we must not too much curb the daring spirit; the human race needs that men must adventure and some be lost.

Text of Good Roads Bill

The following is the text of the Good Roads bill passed by the legislature providing for a state highway commission and a state highway engineer:

A bill for an act creating a state highway board, providing for the appointment of the members thereof, prescribing their duties, and providing for the payment of their expenses while engaged in the performance of such duties; creating the office of state highway commissioner, providing for the appointment of such officer, prescribing his duties and fixing his salary, prescribing the duties of the county courts in relation to the purposes of this act, providing for the appointment of a clerk for such highway commissioner and for the payment of his salary and making an appropriation for carrying out the purposes of this act.

Be it enacted by the people of the state of Oregon: Be it enacted by the legislative assembly of the state of Oregon: Section 1. There is hereby created a state highway board and the office of state highway commissioner. The state highway board shall consist of three citizens of this state, one of whom shall be a bona fide resident of that portion of the state which lies east of the Cascade mountains, one a resident of southern Oregon south of the Willamette valley, and the third member of the board to be selected from a resident of the remaining portion of the state, who shall be appointed by the governor, and who shall serve without pay. The term of office of the members of this board shall be three years; but of those appointed, one shall be appointed for one year, one for two years and one for three years. Each member of the board shall hold office until his successor shall have been appointed by the governor. The duties of the state highway board shall be such as provided in this act and by other laws of this state.

Section 2. Within 30 days after the members of the state highway board shall have been appointed the board shall appoint a state highway commissioner, who shall be thoroughly skilled in scientific road construction, who shall hold his office indefinitely at the pleasure of the highway board, and shall discharge such duties as required by this act and by other laws of this state.

Section 3. All roads, any part of the cost of construction of which is paid for by the state, or in the construction of which any crushed rock, gravel or other material furnished by, or under the supervision of the state is used, shall be constructed by the county court of the county in

which such road is to be constructed under the general advisory supervision of the state highway commissioner. Section 4. The state highway commissioner shall appoint, when so requested by the respective courts, such suitable persons as may be needed in engineering or construction supervision of any road or roads mentioned in section three (3) of this act. Other things being equal, local men shall have the preference of appointments. The salary of such appointees shall be agreed upon in advance by the county court and the state highway commissioner.

Section 5. When so requested by the county court, the permanent engineering locations and the construction of county roads to be constructed by a county under the authority granted by section ten (10), article eleven (11) of the constitution of this state, shall be under the supervision of an engineer or road constructor appointed by the state highway commissioner. It shall be the duty of the county court to furnish the state highway commissioner with such detailed information regarding the character of construction probably needed and such other information as will assist him in selecting an engineer or road construction man for the particular road in question, it being understood that other things being equal the state highway commissioner shall give preference to local men in making the appointment.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the state highway commissioner to pass on all bills and contracts pertaining to the construction of roads mentioned in sections three (3) and five (5) of this act, and to in a general way co-operate with the several county courts with a view to making the best possible use of all moneys expended. Prior to the letting of any contract, plans and specifications should first be submitted to the state highway commissioner, and he is hereby directed to make such criticism or give such advice as he may deem appropriate.

Section 7. The state highway commissioner shall compile statistics relative to the public highways throughout the state, and shall collect all information in regard thereto which he may deem important. He shall investigate and determine upon various methods of road construction adapted to different sections of the state, and as to the best method of constructing and maintenance of roads, culverts and bridges, and such other information relative thereto as he shall deem appropriate. He may be consulted at all reasonable times by the county officers having care and authority over highways, culverts and

bridges, and shall advise such officers relative to the construction, repair, altering or maintenance of the same; and shall furnish such other information and advice as may be requested by persons interested in the construction and maintenance of public highways, and shall at all times lend his aid in encouraging and promoting highway improvement throughout the state. He shall co-operate with all highway officers and shall assist county authorities, and, when requested by them, furnish them with plans and directions for improvement of the public highways and bridges.

Section 8. The road supervisors, county courts and the county commissioners of any county, and all other officers who now have or may hereafter have by law the care and supervision of the public highways and bridges shall, from time to time, upon the written request of the state highway commissioner, furnish him with all available information in connection with the building and maintenance of the public highways, culverts and bridges in their respective localities.

Section 9. The state highway commissioner shall keep an accurate and detailed account of all moneys expended in the construction of all roads which are constructed under his general advisory supervision, direction and control and shall keep a record of the number of miles so constructed in each county, and when it was constructed, the width of such road as constructed and the cost per mile of construction.

Section 10. The state highway board and the state highway commissioner shall make a joint report to the governor on the first day of December of each year, which shall fully set forth all that has been done by them during the period covered by the report and all money expended by them or any of them, or under their direction, all roads that have been constructed under direction of the commissioner and all roads in the construction of which the state has contributed anything, giving in each instance the number of miles constructed in each county and the cost per mile of construction. This report shall also include such statistics and other information as to matters falling within the scope of the duties of these officers as may be considered necessary by them, and also such suggestions respecting matters of legislation as they may deem necessary.

Section 11. The state highway commissioner shall be furnished suitable offices at the expense of the state, which offices shall be located in the city of Salem, Oregon, and said commissioner shall also be furnished by the secretary of state at the expense of the state, all stationery and supplies necessary for properly conducting his office.

Section 12. The state highway commissioner may appoint one clerk, who shall act as his assistant and be subject to his control and direction, and who shall receive such salary as may be determined by the highway board but not to exceed one hundred (\$100) dollars per month, to be paid monthly by the state as other salaries are paid.

Section 13. The state highway commissioner shall receive an annual salary of four thousand (\$4000) dollars per year, payable monthly by the state, and his actual necessary traveling expenses in the discharge of his duties. The state highway commissioner shall, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of his office, execute an official undertaking with two or more sufficient sureties, or he may give a surety bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in this state, in such sum as the state highway board may require, not less than \$10,000, which bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties as said highway commissioner; said official undertaking shall be in such form and contain such provisions as the said highway board may require and shall be approved by the governor and filed in the office of the secretary of state.

Section 14. Each of the members of the state highway board shall receive his necessary traveling expenses in the discharge of his duties.

Section 15. On or before the tenth day of each month the state highway commissioner shall make a report to the state highway board of what he has done during the preceding calendar month and of the progress of all work which he may have in charge. On the first week day after the tenth day of each month the state highway board shall meet with the state highway commissioner at his office or at such other place as they may agree upon to consider such report and for the transaction of such other business as may be necessary.

Section 16. At the end of every month the state highway commissioner shall prepare a detailed account of his traveling expenses, with vouchers for that month, which shall be submitted to the state highway board with his report, as provided in section 15 of this act. The state highway board shall satisfy itself that the account is correct and shall so endorse the same and present such account with that endorsement to the secretary of state, who shall carefully examine and audit the same, and

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It found correct and authorized by law, he shall allow the same and draw a warrant in payment thereof. Section 17. At the meeting provided for in section 15 of this act each member of the state highway board shall render a detailed account of the expenses necessarily incurred by him during that month in the discharge of his duties to the board and shall certify to same; if found correct the board shall so endorse and, upon the presentation of such certified statement, with vouchers, the secretary of state shall examine and audit the same, and, if found correct and authorized by law, he shall audit the same and draw warrants in payment thereof. Section 18. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury of this state not already otherwise appropriated the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the payment of salaries and expenses as provided for in this act.

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Students' Prank Serious. BERKELEY, Cal., Feb. 16.—The police are endeavoring to ascertain the names of youths, said to be students of the Berkeley high school, who last night exploded a small "bomb" in the Varsity moving picture theatre here while 200 persons were in the place. No damage was done. PILLS CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS. PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of itching, blind, bleeding or protruding piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c. MEDFORD CONSERVATORY FOR MUSIC AND LANGUAGES NAT. BUILDING ALL BRANCHES OF MUSIC. FULL FACULTY. G. TAILLANDIER, DIRECTOR.

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